SECRETARY OF STATE[721]

Adopted and Filed Emergency

Pursuant to the authority of Iowa Code sections 47.1 and 17A.3, the Secretary of State amends Chapter 21, "Election Forms and Instructions," Iowa Administrative Code.

These amendments are necessary to provide additional ballot space for county commissioners laying out the ballots for primary and general elections.

Pursuant to Iowa Code section 17A.4(3), the Secretary of State finds that notice and public participation are unnecessary because this change to the administrative rules removes an unnecessary requirement that wastes valuable ballot space.

Pursuant to Iowa Code section 17A.5(2)"b"(2), the Secretary of State further finds that the normal effective date of these amendments, 35 days after publication, should be waived and the amendments made effective upon filing. The normal effective date should be waived because the change is necessary before county commissioners finalize general election ballot layouts beginning Wednesday, August 25, 2010. These amendments confer a benefit on the voting public by reducing the likelihood that county commissioners will need to use more than one ballot or longer ballots than usual.

These amendments are also published herein under Notice of Intended Action as **ARC 9050B** to allow for public comment.

These amendments are intended to implement 2009 Iowa Code Supplement sections 43.31 and 49.57A.

These amendments became effective August 16, 2010.

The following amendments are adopted.

ITEM 1. Rescind and reserve subrule 21.202(2).

ITEM 2. Rescind and reserve subrule 21.203(2).

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